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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2002 (referred herein as the "office action"), the following remarks are provided.

REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are currently pending.

35 USC § 103 Rejections

I. Claims at Issue

Claims 1, 2, 5-8, 11-14, 17-20, and 22-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,828,693, issued to Mays et al. ("Mays"), in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,937,065, issued to Simon et al. ("Simon"). Claims 3, 4, 9, 10, 15, 16, and 21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C 103(a), as being unpatentable over Mays in view of Simon, and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,952,922, issued to Shober ("Shober").